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Shaheen Speaks with EPA Administrator about PFOA Contamination

Urged quick release of long-term health advisory standard for PFOA

(Washington, DC)—This morning, U.S. Senator Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) called the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Administrator Gina McCarthy to discuss the elevated levels of the chemical PFOA detected in the wells of multiple New Hampshire communities. During their lengthy discussion, Administrator McCarthy assured Sen. Shaheen that the long-term health advisory standard for PFOA will be released soon and will be an important step in a broader initiative by federal agencies to study the health implications of PFOA.

“Communities in New Hampshire must be able to trust their water supply,” said Shaheen. “Today, I had a productive conversation with Administrator McCarthy and received assurances that she was marshalling federal resources to provide these communities with timely and thoroughly researched information. I will continue to work closely with federal agencies to ensure that they are responding to this contamination with the urgency that it deserves.”